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C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 9679

FROM USDEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDEV, OVIP 'YOUNG, ANDREW), RH, UK, US

SUBJECT: OWEN-YOUNG TRAVEL

REF: (A) LONDON 14169, (B) LUSAKA 2524

1. FOR LONDON: IT IS HARD TO FIGURE THE ANGLES IN STOPPING
IN SALISBURY BETWEEN LUSAKA AND PRETORIA AS PROPOSED IN PARA ONE
OF REF A. WE HAVE NEVER DECIDED WHETHER IT WOULD HELP
UK-US PLAN FOR SMITH TO WIN OR LOSE. SIMILARLY, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE
TO PREDICT WHETHER PRE-ELECTION STOP WOULD HELP OR HURT
SMITH. CERTAINLY, IT WOULD BE AN EVENT OF SOME NOTE, AND AFTER
THE FACT, IT MIGHT BE ALLEGED THAT IT HAD PUSHED THE ELECTION
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. ON BALANCE, WE WOULD RATHER STAY OUT OF
IT AND NOT GO PRIOR TO ELECTION.

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2. IN ANY EVENT, YOUNG WILL GO WITH OWEN TO SALISBURY WHENEVER.

3. FOR LUSAKA: WE WILL, OF COURSE, SEE PATRIOTIC FRONT IN
LUSAKA. IF OTHERS COME TO LUSAKA WE WILL SEE THEM THERE; IF
NOT, WE WILL WANT TO SEE THEM WHEREVER POSSIBLE. AGREE WITH
YOU, THOUGH, THAT WE SHOULD DEFER MAKING ARRANGEMENTS

UNTIL THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO MUZOREWA, SITHOLE AND
CHINAMANO BECOMES CLEARER.
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